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Comments: I am extremely concerned about how rapidly large swaths of forested land are routinely razed to the ground when new townhomes, residential neighborhoods, apartments and other housing is being built in the south end of Hall County, Ga where I live. I've watched while entire hillsides, once covered in tall forests that have remain undisturbed for centuries, are uprooted so that townhomes can be constructed as close as possible to one another, each with one newly planted tiny tree in its postage stamp "yard". The deer, racoons, squirrels, birds, opossums and other animals who once lived in these old growth forests roam the streets and parking lots, looking for new places to forage, build nests, have babies and stay safe. These enormous new neighborhoods sprout like mushrooms without regard for the environmental impact, much less the stress on our already stressed infrastructure (police, schools, roads, fire and ambulance service).